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SUBJECT: NPT REVIEW CONFERENCE

REF: A. STATE 6809

B. IAEA VIENNA 2579

1. DURING CALL ON FOREIGN AFFAIRS MINISTRY (MFA) ON ANOTHER MATTER, EMBOFF RAISED NPT REVIEW CONFERENCE WITH WONG PENG CHONG, ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR UN, AMERICAS AND AFRICA. WONG SAID THAT MFA HAD NOT BEEN INFORMED AS TO DETAILS OF PROPOSED NPT REVIEW CONFERENCE OR ABOUT PREPCOM MEETING IN GENEVA. EMBOFF TOOK OPPORTUNITY TO REVIEW NPT DEVELOPMENTS PER PARAS 1-4 REFTELNOTING THAT GOM MAY IN FUTURE BECOME INCREASINGLY INTERESTED IN NPT/SAFEGUARDS MATTERS AS MALAYSIA MOVES TO ESTABLISH NUCLEAR RESEARCH PROGRAM AND POSSIBLY BUILD A POWER REACTOR.

2. WONG SAID THAT HE WAS GRATEFUL FOR CALLING NPT REVIEW CONFERENCE TO MFA'S ATTENTION AND THAT HE HOPED GOM AMBASSADOR IN GENEVA, PETER LAI, WOULD KEEP MFA INFORMED. WONG DID NOT RAISE QUESTION OF GOM PARTICIPATION IN PREPCOM AND SEEMED IMPRESSED BY NUMBER OF LDC'S ON PREPCOM, ALTHOUGH THERE ONLY

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ONE REPRESENTATIVE (THE PHILIPPINES) FROM EAST ASIA.

3. COMMENT: GOM HAS GENERALLY TAKEN LOW PROFILE ON NUCLEAR
DISARMAMENT MATTERS, ALTHOUGH IT IS MEMBER OF IAEA AND NPT
SIGNATORY. IN VIEW OF RECENT GOM MOVES TO OBTAIN IAEA
ASSISTANCE (REF B) AND INTEREST IN ESTABLISHING A NUCLEAR
PROGRAM, SUGGEST MISSION GENEVA KEEP AMBASSADOR PETER LAI
INFORMED OF NPT CONFERENCE DEVELOPMENTS.
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